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Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56, 1.97, and 1.98, Applicants identify U.S. Patent No. 5,817,006 to Bergh, et al. (issued October 6, 1998) listed on the modified form PTO-1449 accompanying this submission. A copy of the Bergh patent is enclosed. Applicants do not concede that the Bergh patent constitutes prior art within the meaning of the United States patent laws.

Applicants are submitting this paper within three months of filing the application and accordingly believe no fee is due. See 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)(1). Applicants also submit this paper prior to receipt of an initial Office Action concerning the merits of the application and believe no fee is due for this

reason as well. See id. § 1.97(b)(3). If Applicants' beliefs are mistaken, however, the Assistant Commissioner is authorized to debit deposit account No. 11-0855 for any such fee presently due.

Respectfully submitted,



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